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NEW TAX WRINKLE

Every county in Alabama will have a deputy tax assessor appointed by the state tax commission. The legislature created the office Thursday when it concurred in the recommendations of the committees of conference on the bill imposing automobile licenses. Few members of the Legislature knew such a provision was written into the bill by the conference committees, but it showed up in the office of the secretary of state Friday.

The license bill as amended by the conference report was approved by Governor Brandon and delivered to the secretary of state Thursday afternoon. It is now a law.

The deputy tax assessors will be named by the state tax commission. Their specific duties will be to look after the assessment of personal property which has escaped taxation in the past. Each deputy tax assessor will be paid by the commission of twenty per cent of all taxes obtained through their efforts.

Creation of the office in each county means that the present administration will make an effort to put all personal property subject to taxes on the tax records of the counties. For many years complaints have been made that personal property was escaping taxation and that no machinery had been provided for the assessment of the property. The automobile license bill as passed, provides this machinery.

The authority to name the deputy tax assessors is vested in the state tax commission and the exercise of it is optional. However the general plan is to name deputy assessors in all counties. No appropriation made for the compensation of the deputies and their revenue will come from the twenty per cent commission which they will be paid from the taxes obtained from assessments placed on the records by them.

In addition to the creation of the position of deputy tax assessors, the bill continued the offices of license inspectors of the various counties, with the provision that the state tax commission may designate district license inspectors instead of county license inspectors.

WANTED—AN EDITOR.

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ELDER CURRY WILL TEACH AT RODGERS

Elder H. M. Curry, of Carter, Ky., one of the most prominent Primitive Baptist preachers in the country will teach the school at Rodgers school house this coming year.

Elder Curry's friends and admirers throughout this section will be glad to learn that he will be located in Pike County during the coming school term.—Troy Daily Herald.

Some men live in advance of their age by seeing only next month's marketing.

FAMILY AT MIDWAY STRICKEN BY HYDROPHOBIA; MOTHER DIES

Montgomery, Sept. 22.—Bitten some six weeks ago by a small puppy with a few days afterwards died in convulsions, Mrs. T. L. Johnson, residing near Midway, in Bullock county, developed hydrophobia last Monday and died of the disease Friday afternoon. A report of the distressing case was made to Dr. S. W. Welch, state health officer Friday.


According to the report, after Mrs. Johnson was bitten by the puppy, the animal was killed, but its head was not sent to the state laboratory where experts could have determined whether or not the dog was suffering from rabies. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson's eight-year-old son was bitten by another puppy of the same age, the report stated. The state laboratory upon receiving this advice, immediately forwarded a treatment of antirabic serum to be administered to the child, who has shown no symptoms of the dread disease, which caused its mother's death.

It is understood that in recent months, a close relative of the Johnson family, a woman also developed hydrophobia from the bite of a dog, and succumbed to the disease.

The state laboratory is amply equipped and ready at all times to examine promptly for any indication of rabies infection, the heads of all animals sent there for this test. The laboratory also keeps on hand a supply of anti-rabies serum for the treatment of persons bitten by rabid animals. This treatment cost those who are able to pay for it, \$20. To those who are unable to pay, it is furnished free of cost.

Treatment with this serum, it is stated, is as near a perfect preventive of rabies infection as any human agency. Since the state laboratory was first established, it is stated, only one case out of every 500 treated with this preventive serum, has developed the disease, or only 6 cases in all. During the same time, 24 untreated cases have resulted fatally. Of the six cases where the disease developed after treatment, the persons affected had been bitten about the face or on the hand. The percentage of untreated cases is very small.

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GOOD YEAR

GORGAS STEAM PLANT IS TRANSFERRED TO ALABAMA POWER CO.

Washington, Sept. 24.—Henry Ford's much controverted offer to buy Muscle Shoals was wholly upset today when the government sold to the Alabama Power Company the Gorgas steam plant—a part of the property—at a price of approximately \$3,500,000.

This development forces a revised offer from Mr. Ford if he wishes to bid for the remainder of the project. He previously had informed congress that unless the Gorgas plant were included in the sale his bid did not hold.

Political observers who have professed to see some connection between Mr. Ford's offer for Muscle Shoals and the presidential election which bears the manufacturer's name predicted today that the next development in the coming session of congress, which possibly might develop into something bearing a relation to the coming prevention campaign.

Some time ago the war department notified Mr. Ford that the department of justice and the judge advocate general of the army had held valid its contract with the power company which was required to be returned to either move the plant from the power company's land or sell it to the company. Today was the last time under several extensions of time, in which the government could make a decision. Ford's engineers in Detroit wired the war department a request for another extension which the power company declined to grant and Secretary Weeks came to the decision that under the circumstances, it was more advantageous to the government to sell than move.

The actual price paid was \$3,472,487.25, a sum agreed on in appraisals by the ordinance division of the war department and experts of the federal power commission. The war time construction cost was \$4,750,000. Secretary Weeks found that if the government were to remove the plant it would realize only the junk value and that meanwhile there would be economic loss and injury to industries using powers in Alabama and other southern states, whereas a sale to the company would allow the government to recover almost the original cost.

When Mr. Ford was summoned to Washington some time ago and informed of the contract with the power company, Secretary Weeks left the way open for a revised bid to exclude the Gorgas plant and Mr. Ford was given to understand the war department would credit him with the proceeds of the sale and thus reduce his initial payment of \$1,500,000. Some doubt was expressed at what view congress might take at the proposal to sell the remainder of the Muscle Shoals property for that sum, inasmuch as the junk value for the whole project had been estimated by army engineers to be \$18,000,000.

The power company deposited its payment in cash with the finance officers of the war department in New York this morning and Secretary Weeks signed the deed this afternoon waiting until the last minute for a revised offer from Mr. Ford.

A Monumental Service. The Legislature has at last done something. Changed the name of the Alabama Technical Institute and College for Women to Alabama College. Now adjourn, boys, and come home.—Sylacauga News.

The Winning Glands. A medical sharp says the way to happiness is to cut the thyroid glands. We believe this can be accomplished best by way of sweet glands.—Birmingham Citizen.

Anniston Wins. The worst has happened—our Governor and ex-Governor have crossed bats.—Guntersville Democrat.

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Hurry Into Eternity. There were forty-six deaths in Birmingham last year due to speeding. Step on the gas and die.—Southern Democrat.

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BOY IS BURNED TO DEATH.

Marksville, Ala., Sept. 23.—An eight year old boy of Leo Gagnard, was burned to death and Gagnard, his wife and a young daughter were injured when a gasoline fire exploded at their home two miles from here yesterday. Mrs. Gagnard was burned seriously about the face, body and hands and was reported in a serious condition.

A speaker at a minister's meeting in Boston told a story of a negro clergyman who so pastored his bishop with appeals for help that it became necessary to tell him that he must not send any more appeals. His next communication was as follows: "This is not an appeal. It is a report. I have no pants."

GREENSBORO BANK PRESIDENT SHOT BY PROMINENT FARMER

Greensboro, Ala., Sept. 19.—Jeffrey A. Blunt, seventy years of age, president of the First National Bank of Greensboro, was shot in the fleshy part of the right leg, in his office at the bank, by Hal Knight, a well-known Hale county farmer, shortly after noon today. Knight was immediately arrested, and Mr. Blunt was removed to a hospital in Selma, on a freight train over the Akron branch of the Southern Railway.

The shooting grew out of a business discussion which took place earlier in the day between Knight and the bank president. Knight left the bank and returned later with his brother-in-law, Dick Shaw, when the discussion was renewed. The shooting followed. Mr. Blunt was accompanied to Selma by Dr. Poellnitz, Charles Stollenwerk, cashier of the bank who witnessed the shooting, Tom Ward and Charles E. Walker, Jr. Another witness to the shooting was H. C. Turpin, a prominent Hale county farmer.

Hal Knight, held for shooting President Blunt, is a member of a family long prominent in the state. He is a brother of Thomas E. Knight, former solicitor of the judicial circuit and one of the best known attorneys in Alabama.

NOTICE TAXPAYERS!

TO ALL TAXPAYERS WHO PAID TAXES DUE IN COFFEE COUNTY FOR THE TAX YEAR 1920:

In order to determine as definitely as possible the taxes paid in Coffee County for the Tax Year 1920—which taxes became collectible on October 1st, 1920 and were evidenced by the books and receipts which disappeared from the county offices February 18th, 1921, notice is hereby given to all taxpayers and request is hereby made that they file with Honorable S. H. Brock at Elba, Alabama, whom I have authorized to receipt for same, any receipt given to them by either Tax Collector, Hon. Fred Johnson, or Tax Collector Hon. J. D. Lee, in payment of taxes for the year, and if receipts given to them have been misplaced or lost, such tax payers are requested to file cancelled checks, drafts or other evidence of payment of said taxes.

The full and immediate cooperation of all the tax payers of Coffee County is earnestly urged in order that satisfactory settlement of the tax matters of the year mentioned may be had.

It is my intention as Chief Examiner of Accounts of the State to detail Examiners to make full determination of these tax matters, such investigation to begin not later than the first day of November.

All receipts or other papers filed with Mr. Brock will be carefully protected and promptly returned after the examination.

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On investigation, he testified he found imbedded in the tobacco the remains of a snake about six inches long.

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GIRL DRAGGED FROM TENT AT MIDNIGHT; ASSAULT ESCAPES

Brewton Standard says: Nellie Harrison, thirteen-year-old daughter of Benny Harrison, who with his family is camping on the south side of the road between Brewton and Elba, was dragged from the tent at midnight on Friday morning at one o'clock, and carried for several yards before a shot from her father's gun frightened the perpetrator of the attack away. The guilty party making his escape in the darkness, according to reports of the affair to the sheriff's office.

Shortly after an investigation was made by Sheriff Fountain, the father of the girl obtained a warrant for a negro named Sam Jones and he was placed in the county jail. A preliminary hearing held Tuesday before Judge C. F. Rankin, Jones was discharged for lack of evidence.

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DRIVER TAKES NAP; TRUCK TURNS OVER

Troy Daily Herald: At about 8 o'clock Friday morning a large Graham truck belonging to T. W. Talley, driven by Howard Jenkins, left the road at a point about two miles below Brundridge, turned over on its side, crushed in the cab of the truck and injured some of the occupants.

The Talley truck was coming from Donaldsonville, Ga., with a load of household goods for Claude Calvert, who with his family, are moving to M. C. Griffin's farm on the Frank Blackman place, six miles below Troy on the Elba road.

Calvert and his wife and several children were on the truck with the household goods and in the wreck his left forearm was broken in two places and his wife and children were badly bruised and shaken up.

Howard Jenkins was driving the truck and the only reason accounted for the wreck is that he was overcome by sleep and the truck left the road, overturning, the cab striking a fence along the side of the road.

The truck was righted and brought to town, minus windshield and frame.

The Fall of Night He slipped on his pajamas and fell into bed.—Ex.

satisfaction of the court that he was in Brewton continuously from about six o'clock Thursday evening until four o'clock Friday morning when he went to his work.

According to statements of Harrison, his wife, and the young girl, the girl was sleeping next to the flap of the tent on a small cot when she was awakened by someone who had hold of her wrist. She immediately started screaming, waking her mother and father. Before either could reach the tent, she was dragged under the flap of the tent and a short distance down the hill below the tent. Her father, it is said, obtained his shotgun and fired once into the air, fearing to fire at his daughter's assailant while he and the girl were so close together. This shot and the screams of the family, which aroused neighbors, caused the attacking party to release the girl and flee through the woods towards the creek swamp.

No other arrests have been made since the release of the negro, Sam Jones, and it is feared that the guilty party will not be apprehended.

After being captured, Johnson maintained silence for several hours refusing to discuss his past, although freely admitting the Evans robbery, after scapolamine was administered and all other attempts to get him to talk had failed.

After receiving the "truth serum," Johnson lay quiet for about 15 minutes, seemingly in a half stupor, according to those who witnessed the experiment. Then he made a full confession.

TIES SELF TO TRACK BUT ESCAPES TRAIN

Dothan Eagle says: Tied to the Central of Georgia track, just outside the city limits Monday evening, a man, identity unknown, waved frantically for an oncoming train to stop but was seen too late by the engineer. Just as the rushing engine reached a point a few feet from him, the man rolled off the rail. The missing train cut ropes that bound him to smelters and ran three of four hundred feet before coming to a halt.

Trainmen jumped to the ground and started back to ascertain the meaning of the incident but the man who so narrowly escaped death had arisen to his feet and was running away from the scene. Efforts were made to halt him but in vain.

Diligent efforts have been made to locate T. E. Lane, whose wife was killed and three children injured in the collision at Cottondale Sunday night, but his whereabouts are unknown. Some fear that his worry over the tragedy of the wreck has upset his mind.

Rumors are being circulated to the effect that the man almost run over by the Central of Georgia train Monday evening was probably Mr. Lane, but he was at his wife's funeral on yesterday and appeared to be sane although grief-stricken.

Several people witnessed the incident referred to in the first paragraph, but the incident has not been officially confirmed by the railroad.

NEW SERUM FORCES MAN TO TELL TRUTH

Shreveport, La., Sept. 13.—Scapolamine, the recently discovered "truth serum," was used for the first time yesterday when Dr. E. L. Sanderson administered it to Arthur Johnson, who was shot by the police after he had robbed the home of J. P. Evans, a local oil operator.

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